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**MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 1, 1991  
To: Division File  
From: Paul E. Takacs, FSMU  
Subject: L1630200005 -- St. Clair County  
Sauget Sites (Area 1) -- Sauget  
Superfund/Compliance

This is to document my analysis of a property history document prepared by Monsanto Company for the Area 1 Sauget Sites.

Waste disposal began in Area 1 with Leo Sauget's purchase of property at Site H for the disposal of hazardous wastes generated by local industries. According to title records, Sauget began acquiring property for these purposes as early as December, 1931 (see purchase of Lot 128 of Cahokia Commonfields). According to aerial photos (1937) disposal first occurred in the northern portion of Site H and proceeded in a southeasterly direction. As the disposal area on Lot 128 was used up, operations were moved to the north (into Site I) with Sauget's purchase of Lot 127 (Cahokia Commonfields) in April, 1943.

The Village of Monsanto purchased a strip of Lot 210 (Third Subdivision of Cahokia Commonfields) in August, 1948 for the construction of Midwest Avenue (now Queeny Avenue). As verified by aerial photos, this road construction marked a period after which disposal activities intensified in the southern portion of Site I (Lot 127). Leo Sauget then acquired portions of certain lots (County Tax parcels 1-26-401-003 and 1-26-401-004) also known as Site G in July, 1952. Similar waste disposal practices followed at this site.

As far as additional disposal at Site I is concerned, Paul Sauget purchased Lot 126 in April, 1930 and turned the title over to Illinois State Trust in July, 1948. According to aerial photos, disposal would have begun in the northernmost landfill shortly after this time. Leo Sauget took title to the property in December, 1952 and evidently continued waste disposal practices until 1957 when he began using the Site R landfill for the disposal of Monsanto wastes. A "Notification of Hazardous Waste Site" form was completed by two Monsanto plants for a landfill at a Falling Springs address. Indications were given that varying amounts of chemical wastes were disposed of until 1957.

In November of 1959, Leo Sauget obtained a certificate of authority to transact business in Illinois under the name "Industrial Salvage and Disposal, Inc." with Leo, Paul, and Vincent Sauget serving on the Board of Directors. The name was changed to "Sauget & Company"



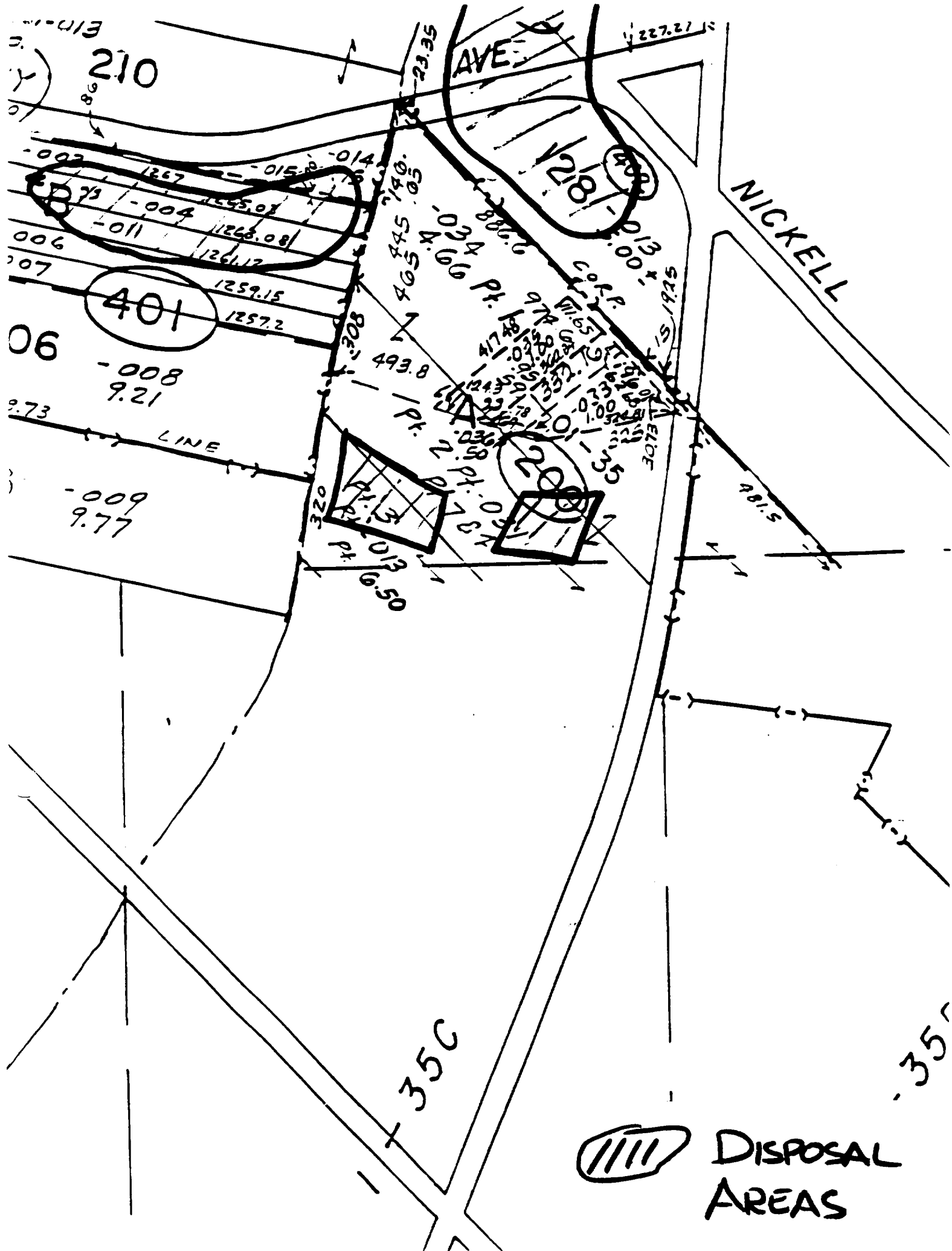
in November, 1966. The fact that Leo Sauget's business was not incorporated until 1959 must indicate that most of his business was done on a contractual basis. Leo and Paul Sauget then solicited other hazardous waste generators/transporters after their business was organized.

With the purchase of property south of Site H by Harold Waggoner & Company (a hazardous/special waste hauler), waste disposal began at Site L and in an area to the east of the Site. The purchase was made in December, 1963 and included County Tax parcels 1-35-200-013, 031, 033, 034, 035 and 036. This business operated two surface impoundments which were used to dispose of hazardous waste products and truck washings from its hauling operations. In 1975, the property was transferred to Harold Waggoner, who in turn sold it to Ruan Trucking Company in 1981. Ruan reportedly continued this disposal practice in parcels 1-35-200-013 and 031 (Site L). Upon Ruan's purchase of Waggoner's entire property, parcels 1-35-200-033, 034, 035 and 036 were sold to Tony Lechner (April 1982) and eventually to current owner, L. Keeley Paving and Construction Company in December, 1984.

Disposal at Site G might have continued under Industrial Salvage Inc. through May, 1966 when Leo Sauget sold the property to its current owner, Wiese Engineering. There may also be private ownership of certain portions of Site G. All Site I and H property was sold by Leo Sauget to Roger's Cartage Co. in two transactions (December, 1965 and April, 1968). Roger's Cartage apparently used the property at Site I for parking until it was sold to Cerro Corporation in the transactions of May, 1967 and June, 1968. Cerro Copper Products Company now owns all portions of Site I. The Site H portions of Roger's Cartage's property were transferred to the current owner, James Tolbird in 1979.

#### Attachments

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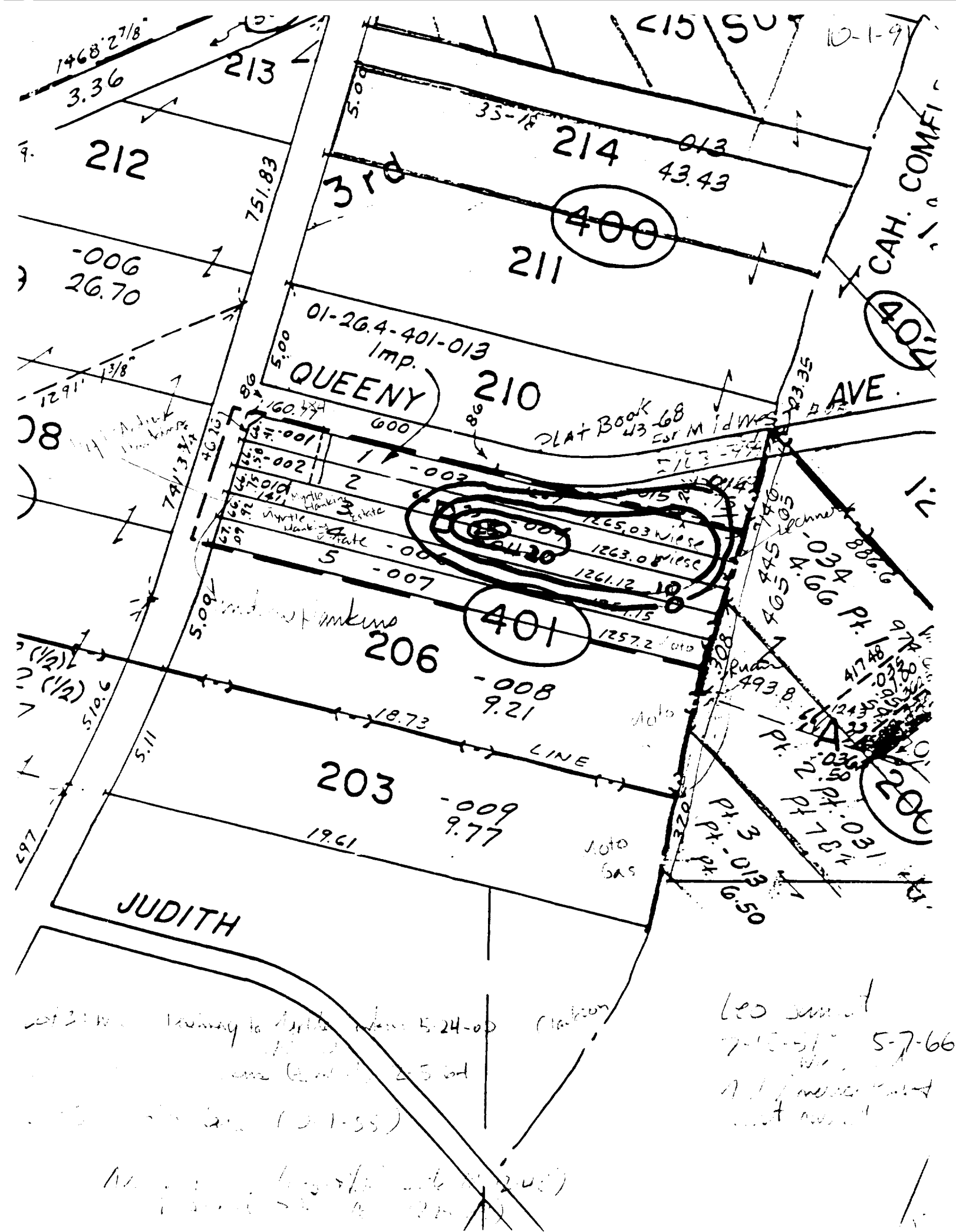
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